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APPLICANT : Dieter Hein EXAMINER:  
SERIAL NO. : 10/529,443 GROUP ART UNIT : 3632  
FILED : December 21, 2005 DATE: September 25, 2007  
FOR: : **MULTIPLE TELESCOPING TUBE COMPRISING A LOAD-  
CONTROLLED LOCKING DEVICE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Pursuant to Applicant(s) duty of disclosure, the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 is brought to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of the listed items is enclosed.

The citation of the listed item is not a representation that it constitutes a complete or exhaustive listing of the relevant art or that the reference is prior art. The items listed is submitted in good faith, but is not intended to a substitute for the Examiner's search. It is hoped, however, that in addition to apprising the Examiner of this particular item, it will assist in identifying fields of search and in making as full and complete a search as possible.

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**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)**

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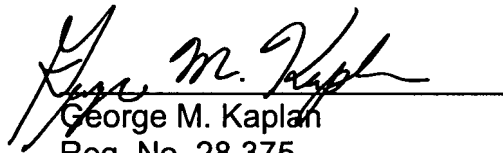
The listed item was cited in an Examination Report in a counterpart Japanese application dated July 13, 2007; an English translation of the Office Action is enclosed. Additionally, U.S. Pat. No. 5,887,835 of record is equivalent to JP H10-61879 cited in the enclosed Examination Report. WO93/12372 cited in the examination report is already of record.

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- ☐ This information disclosure statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of this application.
- ☐ This information disclosure statement is being filed within three (3) months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491 in an international application.
- ☒ To the best of Applicant(s) knowledge, this information disclosure statement is being filed before the date of mailing of a first Office Action on the merits in connection with this case.
- ☐ Enclosed herewith is a certificate under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1).
- ☐ Enclosed herewith is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)(ii).
- ☐ Enclosed by check is the petition fee of \$130.00. 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i)(1))
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- ☒ Please charge any deficiency as well as any other fee(s) which may become due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and/or 1.17 at any time during the pendency of this application, or credit any overpayment of such fee(s) to Deposit Account **04-1121**. Also, in the event any extensions of time for responding are required for the pending application(s), please treat this paper as a petition to extend the time as required and charge Deposit Account No. **04-1121** therefor. **TWO (2) COPIES OF THIS SHEET ARE ENCLOSED.**

Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George M. Kaplan", is written over a horizontal line.

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